## **Annual Business**

ITH this issue we begin the AIAA 2003 Evolution of Flight celebration. We plan to publish a series of special History of Key Technologies papers throughout the year. Historical papers will address technologies within the scope of the JGCD. Several authors are in the process of preparing contributions. Ray Prouty's and "Pat" Curtiss' "Helicopter Control Systems" paper in this issue is an outstanding start to the series. Thank you, Ray and Pat.

Overall, this past year was an excellent one for the *JGCD*, and some highlights follow:

- 1) Use of the online *JGCD* version has increased with worldwide researchersnow using the reference link option and also the "search" feature to find references to past work. For example, a search using the keyword "inertial" showed 24 articles in the *JGCD* since 1997 and 696 articles in the entire CatchWord database. Many of these references have a direct link to them for easy retrieval.
- 2) Our Associate Editors continued to do a great job in getting reviews back to authors in a timely fashion. In fact, in July, August, and September there were only about six papers submitted in the previous six months that had not been returned to the authors. This is truly a dedicated effort by our Associate Editors and I want to thank them.
- 3) During the year, the Editors-in-Chief and the AIAA staff began the development of a Web-based manuscript submission and management system for all six journals. Initial implementation and testing is underway and I look forward to completion of this important effort in 2003.

In past editorials I have written about the progress made during the year towards meeting the goals that I have as Editor-in-Chief. The goals are 1) to maintain the quality of the *JGCD*, 2) to increase the number of engineering applications-oriented papers, 3) to minimize the time from submission to publication, 4) to increase the international involvement in the *JGCD*, and 5) to listen to and respond to everyone's concerns. Let me briefly discuss each item.

In terms of quality, the *JGCD* was reviewed by an independent committee commissioned by the AIAA Publications Committee, and it was chaired by Professor Arthur Bryson. The overall finding was that the "*JGCD* is well-managed and is the leading journal in its field" (see Vol. 25, No. 3, pp. 417–418). We continue to attract high-quality papers submitted on a worldwide basis. However, the number of applications-oriented papers submitted needs to be increased, and I repeat the call to the community to respond with more relevant papers that can help engineers practice their profession. I hope the appointment of three new Associate Editors (see below) helps to stimulate applications-oriented papers.

The Associate Editors have worked hard to try to shorten the time from submission of a paper to when review comments are returned to authors. I am pleased that their efforts have substantially decreased the review time. Our goal is to return every paper within three months of receipt, with an upper limit of six months. Then it will be up to authors to make revisions as quickly as possible to speed their papers towards publication.

International participation in the *JGCD* has continued at previous levels. Approximately 45% of new paper submittals are from outside the United States, and the acceptance rate for these papers is about the same as for U.S. papers. Publication tends to be a bit slower, however, as more of these papers need extensive editorial work and revisions of figures. Our International Advisors have been very helpful in soliciting papers. The fact that the *JGCD* is online should aid our international authors and increase our subscription base.

Also with this issue, I am announcing the following changes to our editorial staff:

Renewed for a second three-year term is Associate Editor Dr. Peiman Maghami, NASA Langley Research Center.

I want to welcome the following new Associate Editors who will start three-year terms:

- Dr. David Doman, Air Force Research Laboratory, Wright– Patterson Air Force Base
- Dr. Wodek Gawronski, Jet Propulsion Laboratory, California Institute of Technology
- Mr. David Vallado, Raytheon Command, Control, Communications, and Information Systems

I want to express my thanks to our retiring Associate Editors for their service:

- Professor Andrew Kurdila, University of Florida
- Professor Arun Misra, McGill University
- Professor Minh Phan, Dartmouth College

The complete list of current Associate Editors is presented in the following pages.

I must also express my gratitude to all our anonymous reviewers who perform peer reviews that are necessary to maintain the quality of the *JGCD*. The list of reviewers contributing between 1 October 2001 and 30 September 2002 follows the list of Associate Editors. I apologize to any reviewers whose names have been inadvertently omitted from the list.

I would like to acknowledge our International Advisors, who help us in soliciting high-quality papers that represent technical efforts in their countries. They also assist authors who may have questions about the review process. I would like to thank our retired International Advisors: Professor Itzhack Bar-Itzhack, Technion—Israel Institute of Technology, Israel; and Dr. David Salmond, Defence Evaluation and Research Agency, UK. I welcome new International Advisors: Dr. Kelvin Halsey, QinetiQ, UK; and Dr. Yaakov Oshamn, Technion—Israel Institute of Technology, Israel.

I also wish to acknowledge individuals serving as liaisons between the *JGCD* and AIAA Technical Committees (TCs): Professor Mark Balas, University of Colorado, with the Guidance, Navigation, and Control TC; Lester Sackett, Draper Laboratory, with the Astrodynamics TC; and Professor John Valasek, with the Atmospheric Flight Mechanics TC.

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Finally, I continue to encourage communications between our readers and any member of the editorial staff. I also believe we did a good job last year in covering the span of interests of our readers and in responding quickly to communications. We can do better and we are willing to listen, please contact me directly. My contact information is:

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